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charmed life or else he is unlucky. Re- received when run over by a dray. contly while driving a wagon along a country road his vehicle was struck by automobile driven by John Bert, for-county treasurer. Williams was cover.

Teceived when run over by a dray.

During the last six years Williams has been shot five times. Twice the attending physician regarded his condition as so serious he was not expected to recover.

Earned Surplus, \$1,000,000. TALY'S ARMIES EXTEND LINES

Austrian Fortifications Defending Pusteria Valley Threatened.

OTHER POINTS TAKEN

Attempt to Advance on Monte Piana Checked with Severe Loss to Defenders.

Milan, Aug. 15.—The Austrians evidently are feeling uncomfortable at the progress made by the Italians within the last two weeks in the high Alpini the last two weeks in the high Alpini region of Cadore. The Austrian fortifications defending

the Pusteria Valley are now threat-ened by the Italian batteries, which al-ready have demolished part of the works of Platzweise, and several forts in the Valley of the Sexten are under fire. Among the points recently taken after short and violent skirmishes are Oberbacher, Kanzel, and Spietz, while east of Kanzel, the famous mountain refuse of Kanzel, the famous mountain refuse of the Sigismunds, Huette, is now occupied and gives command of the Upper Bacher and Fischtal. Another detachment has occupied the head of the Boden Valley. Austrian detachments which again tried to approach Monte Piana were repulsed with heavy losses and their trenches taken. Thus, all the Austrian attempts to divert attention from the main operation on the Isonzo have failed. They threaten instead the loss of communication by Pusteria between the Trentino and the eastern front.

and the eastern front. Meanwhile, in the Upper Isonso, the Italian artillery continues-its successful work of bombarding the roads and forts at Hermann and Klausen.
The methodical destruction of the Aus-

trian trenches on the second line defense at Carso also continues. As a result of the recent general action on the Corso Plateau the Austrians are smarting under extremely heavy losses. During an attack enmasse one battalion of 1.100 men had at the con-clusion only sixty men left.

On Life Term, Walks from Cell. severely hurt about the brc' and his twenty years, one month and three days spring wagon was wrecked.

It has been less than a week since at Joliet, where, with John Carey and Noblesville, Ind. Aug. 15.—J. Wesley Williams left his home after being laid William McCormick, he was serving a Williams believes he has either a up for two months on account of injuries life term for the murder of a Chicago policeman, William Roach, private second when run over by a dray.

Description

A merican Navy Gunners Made Only 90 Hits In 826 Shots, Charges Gardner

A charge that the gunnery of the '95 per cent accuracy' we have heard American navy is so deficient that in the spring practice of the Atlantic Fleet this year the seventeen battle-A charge that the gunnery of the American navy is so deficient that in the spring practice of the Atlantic Fleet this year the seventeen battle-ships engaged made only 90 hits out of 826 shots fired is embodied in a letter just forwarded to the Secretary of the Navy by Representative Augustus D. Gardner, of Massachusetts. The charge made by Mr. Gardner, which is apparently based upon Navy Department records, is the outgrowth of a lively correspondence between Mr. Gardner set letter shows that in the spring practice. Mr. Gardner shows that in the spring practice the battleships made hits as follows:

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New York, we have heard so much about."

Answering Secretary Daniels' criticism that Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner's data relative to gunnery in the navy is inaccurate, Mr. Gardner said: "This is a fact. The actual record is more alarming than I had supposed." Mr. Gardner then gives the full record of the gunnery practice of each of the seventeen ships which took part in the spring practice.

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chided for giving out "incomplete information based on gossip" relative to
the record made in target practice by
the battleship Michigan.

Mr. Gardner compared the gunnery
record of the Michigan for 1911 and
1915 and declared that it corroborated ty-eight; New Jersey four out of
twenty-eight; Rhode Island, five out of twentyeight; Rhode Island, five out of twentyty-eight; New Jersey four out of 1915, and declared that it corroborated ty-eight; New Jersey, four out his declarations made in and out of twenty-eight; Louisiana, two out of Congress that marksmanship in the twenty-eight; Vermont, two out of navy has deteriorated tremendously. twenty-eight; Minnesota, two out of navy has deteriorated tremendously. Out of 56 shots fired by the Michigan last spring, according to Mr. Gardner, only 5 actual hits were allowed by the umpire. This, Mr. Gardner declared, was far below the number of hits made by the same vessel in 1911. Commenting on his statement that only 90 hits were made out of 826 shots at the individual spring practice of the battleship fleet this year, Mr. Gardner said:

"The above compilation was prepared for me to show the hits actually allowed by the chief umpire. The table is subject to a variation on account of a revision of the scores, which is subsequently made, not by the chief umpire who actually witnessed the firing, but by the Navy Department."

'DOSE OF CALM'

West End Retreat.

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Gonzaga, Will Be Director.

retreatants will board and room

WHEAT DEALS HALTED.

of the allied countries, having established

buying machinery for the purchase of grain as well as other supplies, refused

o countenance the purchase of wheat by

It was presumed that miscellaneous buying by various importers either in England or allied countries would dis-turb the negotiations of the official buy-

ng agents as well as cause undue comagainst the best interests of the

Queen or Dairy Maid

Ambition the Same

In the expectant mother's mind there

la no limit to what the future has in store, and yet during the period of expectancy, much depends upon the physical comfort of the mother. One of the

individual importers

Austria during recent years.

"This doesn't sound much like the nartment."

Action May Be Taken if Teu-Catholics Will Seek Distraction from Business in tonic Influences Are Found Responsible for Strikes.

HELD AT GEORGETOWN ACTS SO FAR IGNORED

Rev. J. C. Geale, S. J., of Loyola Col- Literary Campaign and Purchase of Munitions Plants Not Regarded

Members of the Catholic Church throughout Washington, Baltimore and the entire archdiocese under the direction of Cardinal Gibbons yesterday were notified that for the first time in this city there will be conducted a spiritual exercise known as "laymen's retreat." similar to the exercises which have can laws of neutrality since the war similar to the exercises which have aroused great religious interest in Belgium, Germany, France, England and Austria during recent years Austria during recent years.

The "retreat" will be conducted at Georgetown University, and will commence Friday at 6 p. m. continuing until next Monday at 8 a. m. The preaching and all of the spiritual exercises will be and all of the spiritual exercises will be trouble in this country if permitted to

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men."

A remedy for the day's distraction," a European belligerent. Now comes a report that the German government has a financial interest in the Fatherland, a New York publication that has a financial interest in the Fatherland, a New York publication that has a financial interest in its criticisms of the policy of materiality followed by the President.

Officials here say that a good many things have been done in the name of conducted with great success, and it is expected that the retreat at Georgetown will eclipse them. Physicians, judges, lawyers and men in commercial life are among those for whom the retreat life is would justify the United States in delay the state of the business. A feature that will be appreciated later in the season, when the days grow shorter, is the brilliant illuminating system which is installed in the store.

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of special benefit.

The Rev. Geale, who will conduct the retreat, is an eloquent preacher and a prominent educator in the Society of Jesus. He is well known in Washington, where for four years he was vice president of Gonzaga College. During the past year he conducted two novena or agents designed to excite unrest or calinine-day exercises at St. Aloysius, culated to promote disorder. nine-day exercises at St. Aloysius Church, and during these periods it is President Wilson, the Secretary estimated that about 4,000 men and women daily attended the services, held twice daily. States. At least one rember of the Ger-man Embassy is supposed to have had knowledge of passport cases that led to

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Recent cancellations of wheat contracts by Italian and French buyers, which mystified the grain trade, are said to have been due to the action of the British government, which frowned on the individual operations of the trade of the contracts of the stage. frowned on the individual operations of in the negotiations with Germany The British government, it is said, of any German official of prominence it might seem the main support financially of the allied countries having established. present negotiations.

THEY'RE MIGHTY TRENCHERMEN

Clio. Mich., Aug. 15.—If restaurants and soft drinks here should display placards with the business drawing slogans: "All you can eat for a quarter" or "All you can drink for a nickel" they would soon be forced to go into bankruptcy, as this village has four men who are likely candidates for State-wide fame in competitive eating contests.

One demonstrated to strangers that he had a storage tank in his physical makeup in which he could store a case of beer with ease inside of an hour, and for their enlightenment he taxed the strangers \$50 as a bet.

Another ate twenty-seven bananas when required to eat twenty-four to pay for what he ate. The third got on the outside of a thirty-pound water-melon, except for the rind and seeds, and accompanied by other foods which go to make up a balanced ration for a man's

SCRAMENTO MEETS STORM.

New Orleans, Aug. 15.—Delayed by re-cent storms in the Gulf of Mexico, the gunboat Sacramento, which is bringing Senor Sardoso, former Brazilian minister to Mexico, to this country, will not arto Mexico, to this country, will not arrive here until tomorrow. This information came today in a wireless dispatch to the Brazilian consulate here.

Further confirmation of the report that six Mexican states had declared their independence of all present factions in Mexico and had withdrawn their forces from the revolution, was given today by Lieut. Fedelco Lopes, an artillery officer in the Mexican army during the days of Portfirio Diaz. He says the states of Sinaloa, Tepic, Guerrero, Durango, Oaxaco and Chiapas have combined in a "peace" assembly, and have ordered all

Man Who Escaped from Here Surrenders to Pittsburgh Authorities.

NOW CONFINED IN TENT

Cannot Be Brought Back Here Except on Order of the Public Health Service.

Emil Grable, the leper who escaped from the District's lazaretto on Eastern Branch Friday night, yesterday gave himself up to the health authorities of Pittsburgh, Pa. There was some elation among District health officials when they learned of Grable's presence in another jurisdiction. No city seems to want him, especially. Washington

especially Washington.

The fear among the officials here is that the United States Public Health Service, on orders from the Secretary of the Treasury, may order Grable back to the Capital, as that is the enly legal way he may cross the various State lines. District health officials will take no initiative toward assisting Pittsburgh in disposing of Grable and refuse to claim him as their ward.

"Grable has crossed the District line, therefore, we couldn't bring him back if we wanted to, unless so ordered by the United States government," said Dr. William C. Woodward, head of the health

Grable went to the office of the Pitts-Grable went to the office of the Fitts-burgh Department of Charities and asked for aid. He was taken into custody and detained in a hastily-erected tent back of a municipal hospital in Pittsburgh. Grable escaped from his asylum on the Eastern Branch Friday night. His response of escape and travel is yet manner of escape and travel is yet somewhat of a mystery. He was confined here in the hospital with John Early.

MODEL CLOTHES SHOP OPENS ON AVENUE

Two Well-known Washingtonians in Charge of Store's Departments.

There has just been opened at 1231 Pennsylvania avenue a new men's clothing store and haberdashery depot. While the formal opening will not be open and doing business.

Experience is one of the best re-sources of success, and on this basis The Model Clothes Shop should be successful, the establishment being op-erated by Louis B. Greenberg, former-ly proprietor of the Value Shop, 633 Pennsylvania avenue, and A. H. Bur-dine, who formerly conducted a popu-lar-priced merchant tailoring establishment at 739 Ninth street northwest Mr. Greenberg is general of the Model Clothes Shop.

and all of the spiritual exercises will be conducted by the Rev. J. C. Geale, S. J., of Loyola College, Baltimore, one of the ablest priests of the Society of Jesus in this country. He has recently been appointed spiritual director of the Laymen's League for Retreats.

In all the churches in Washington in which the announcement was made yesterday it was said that the men expecting to make the retreat are to make reservations for rooms at Georgetown University early during the week as all of the retreatants will board and room

In all of the spiritual exercises will be trouble in this country if permitted to the continue.

It is known that German officials have been responsible for passport frauds; that this country has been used as a base in exercising espionage over military preparations in Canada: that a literary campaign has been wants of the men of Washington, both in his own establishment and in positions of importance in other large men's stores earlier in life.

Germans in Mexican Plot.

There have been intimations that an of the country of the Model Clothes Shop. Mr. Greenberg is general manager of the Model Clothes Shop. Mr. Burdine will be in charge of the tailoring and general furnishing departments. Mr. Greenberg brings to his position a wide experience in catering to the wants of the men of Washington, both in his own establishment at 739 Ninth street northwest.

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"and I am prepared to serve their needs with the best merchandise that it has There have been intimations that an agreement was entered into by the the exercise. It was announced that an offering is expected for board and lodging, but that "no man should stay away if he cannot afford it." as what is wished is "the spiritual good of the men."

There have been intimations that an with the best merchandise that it has agreement was entered into by the Germans and Huerta whereby Huerta was to start a counter-revolution in Mr. Burdine is busily engaged opening up incoming stock, and asks that he be judged by the quality of the merchandise already on display and that which is to come.

The store is equipped with ample

The store is equipped with ample

London in 1839. It ran by steam power and carried twenty-eight passengers inside and twenty-two out-Railroads prevented its opera tion by securing the passage of a law requiring each bus to keep a man 100 yards in advance with a red flag by day and a red lantern by night.

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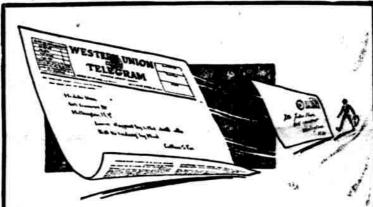
merly \$7.50. Choice..... SILK AND NET DRESSES, for street or sevening wear; were \$25.00. Choice...... \$9.75

KAFKAS F & 10th Sts.

BERLIN SCOUTS PEACE TALK.

Berlin (wireless via Sayville), Aug. 15.—
The North German Gazette officially denies the stories circulated from London that the Kaiser, through the King of Denmark, offered peace terms to Russia, which were rejected.

German papers generally declare it the height of nonsense to assume that, while defeat to defeat, and occupy one big



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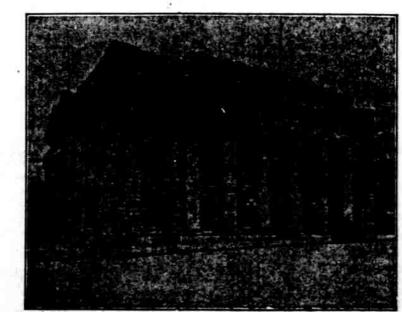
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